

MEMBERS

OF THE

SOUTH GEORGIA CONFERENCE,

WITH THE DATE OF ADMISSION INTO THE TRAVELING CONNECTION.

JAMES T. AINSWORTH, admitted into the Ga.	Conf.	Dec.	1854
SAMUEL ANTHONY, " " " "			1832
GEORGE L. W. ANTHONY, " " " "		"	1860
JAMES M. AUSTIN, " " " "		Jan.	1849
WM. S. BAKER, " " " "		Dec.	1854
BENJ. J. BALDWIN, " " " "		Nov.	1862
DAVID BLALOCK, " " " "		"	1844
JOHN M. BONNELL, " " " "		"	1846
WM. M. D. BOND, " " " "		Dec.	1853
BENJ. F. BREEDLOVE, " " " "		"	1855
WYATT BROOKS, " " " "		Jan.	1846
JOHN W. BURKE, " " " "		Dec.	1854
ANDREW R. BYRD, " Fla.	"		1859
ROBERT J. CORLEY, admitted into So. Ga.	"	"	1867
THOS. T. CHRISTIAN, " Ga.	"	"	1854
JAMES O. A. CLARK, " " "	"	"	1854
SEABORN G. CHILDS, " " "		Jan.	1841
WM. F. CONLEY, " " "	"	"	1851
WM. M. C. CONLEY, " So. Ga.	"	Dec.	1868
DANIEL D. COX, re-admitted Ga.	"	"	1852
JAMES O. A. COOK, admitted " "	"	"	1863
THOMAS C. COLEMAN, " " "			1838
GEORGE C. CLARKE, " " "		Jan.	1845
DAVID CRENSHAW, re-admitted " So. Ga.	"	Dec.	1868
CHURCHWELL A. CROWELL, adm'd " Ga.	"	"	1847
ALVIN J. DEAN, " " "	"	"	1854
ROBERT W. DIXON, " " "	"	"	1856
JAMES DUNWODY, " S. C.	"		1818
JAMES E. EVANS, " Ga.	"		1833
ROBERT F. EVANS, " Fla.	"	Dec.	1859
GEO. T. EMBRY, " So. Ga.	"	"	1867
JOHN S. FORD, re-admitted " "	"		1851
R. W. FLOURNOY, admitted Fla.	"	Dec.	1859
MATTHEW H. FIELDING, re-adm'd " "	"	"	1863

CHARLES A. FULWOOD, admitted into the Ga. Conf.				Jan. 1846
JESSE J. GILES,	"	Fla.	"	Dec. 1858
WM. W. GRIFFIN,	"	Ga.	"	1839
JAMES HARRIS, re-admitted	"	"	"	1856
PHILEMON C. HARRIS, admitted	"	"	"	1851
CHAS. L. HAYES,	"	"	"	1835
JOHN M. HENDRY,	"	Fla.	"	Feb. 1849
ROBERT H. HOWREN,	"	Ga.	"	Dec. 1839
ISAAC S. HOPKINS,	"	"	"	1861
JAMES W. HINTON,	"	"	"	1847
CHARLES R. JEWETT,	"	"	"	Jan. 1844
JAMES JONES,	"	"	"	1835
GEORGE S. JOHNSON, re-admitted	"	So. Ga.	"	Dec. 1868
WM. M. KENNEDY,	"	Fla.	"	1848
JOSEPH S. KEY,	"	Ga.	"	Jan. 1849
WALTER KNOX, adm'd 1841, re-adm'd	"	"	"	Dec. 1851
THOS. B. LANIER, admitted	"	"	"	1858
WESLEY LANE,	"	"	"	1860
ROBERT B. LESTER,	"	"	"	1851
JESSE R. LITTLEJOHN,	"	"	"	Jan. 1850
J. M. N. LOWE,	"	"	"	1845
REUBEN H. LUCKEY,	"	"	"	1842
GEO. G. N. MACDONELL,	"	"	"	Dec. 1854
JOHN M. MARSHALL,	"	"	"	Jan. 1845
JAMES D. MAULDIN,	"	Fla.	"	Dec. 1859
WM. B. McHAN,	"	Ga.	"	Jan. 1849
JOHN B. McGEHEE,	"	"	"	Dec. 1852
ED. A. H. McGEHEE,	"	"	"	1858
MARCUS A. McKIBBEN,	"	S. C.	"	1836
WM. T. McMICHAEL,	"	Ga.	"	1856
DAVID R. McWILLIAMS,	"	"	"	1857
JOHN W. MILLS,	"	"	"	Jan. 1842
HENRY D. MOORE, received by transfer	Fla.	"	"	1864
CHAS. A. MOORE, admitted into the	Ga.	"	"	Dec. 1858
JOHN J. MORGAN,	"	"	"	1858
NORMAN D. MOREHOUSE,	"	"	"	1860
EDWARD H. MYERS,	"	"	"	Jan. 1841
DENNIS O'DRISCOLL,	"	"	"	1851
JACOB R. OWEN,	"	"	"	1851
NEWDEGATE B. OUSLEY,	"	"	"	1857
WM. A. PARKS,	"	"	"	Dec. 1856
LEWIS B. PAYNE,	"	"	"	1851
HENRY P. PITCHFORD,	"	"	"	1835
LOVICK PIERCE,	"	S. C.	"	1805
JOHN M. POTTER,	"	So. Ga.	"	1868
FREEMAN F. REYNOLDS,	"	Ga.	"	Jan. 1845
JOHN H. ROBINSON,	"	S. C.	"	1821
EDWARD J. RENTZ, re-admitted	"	Ga.	"	Dec. 1867
CAPEL RAIFORD, admitted	"	"	"	1831
WM. F. ROBISON,	"	So. Ga.	"	1868
JOHN E. SENTELL,	"	Ga.	"	Jan. 1850

JOHN W. SIMMONS, re-admitted	into the Ga. Conf.	Nov. 1865
J. BLAKELY SMITH,	" " " "	Dec. 1847
OSBORNE L. SMITH,	" " " "	1846
STEPHEN S. SWEET,	" " So. Ga. "	Dec. 1867
WM. W. STEWART,	" " Ga. "	" 1867
WM. W. TIDWELL,	" " " "	" 1854
YOUNG F. TIGNOR,	" " " "	Jan. 1849
JOHN W. TALLEY, admitted	" S. C. "	1828
BENSON E. L. TIMMONS,	" So. Ga. "	Dec. 1868
JOHN B. WARDLAW,	" Ga. "	1843
WM. M. WATTS,	" " "	Dec. 1851
ROBT. F. WILLIAMSON,	" " "	" 1859
JAMES G. WORLEY, re-admitted	" Fla. "	" 1862
JOHN L. WILLIAMS,	" " "	Jan. 1855
ALEX. M. WYNN,	" Ga. "	" 1849
SHELTON R. WEAVER,	" Fla. "	Dec. 1858

MINUTES

OF THE

SOUTH GEORGIA CONFERENCE

M. E. CHURCH, SOUTH,

HELD IN ALBANY, GEORGIA,

BEGINNING DECEMBER 16TH—ENDING DECEMBER 21ST.

BISHOP GEO. F. PIERCE,..... *President.*
 J. BLAKELY SMITH,..... *Secretary.*
 HENRY D. MOORE,... } *Assistant.*
 ISAAC S. HOPKINS,..... }
 JOHN M. BONNELL..... Statistical Secretary

QUESTION 1. *Who are admitted on trial?*

ANSWER. Charles J. Toole, Charles E. Brown, Herbert P. Myers, James Spence, Hastings Puckett, James T. Johnson, Alex. P. Wright, Daniel G. Pope, Lowndes A. Darsey, Henry C. Fentress, Carolin C. Hines.

Q. 2. *Who remain on trial?*

A. Cosby W. Smith, Wm. C. Bass, Wm. M. Hays, Stephen D. Clements.

Q. 3. *Who are admitted into full connection?*

A. John M. Potter, Benson E. L. Timmons, Wm. M. C. Conley, Wm. F. Robinson.

Q. 4. *Who are re-admitted?*

A. George S. Johnson, James A. Wiggins, David Crenshaw.

Q. 5. *Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?*

A. Osborne L. Smith.

Q. 6. *Who are the deacons of one year?*

A. Geo. T. Embry.

Q. 7. *What traveling preachers are elected and ordained deacons?*

A. Benson E. L. Timmons and Wm. M. C. Conley.

Q. 8. *What local preachers are elected and ordained deacons?*

A. *Whites Elected*—James T. Tooke, Franklin M. T. Brannon, Willis M. Russell, Thomas Brabham, Daniel G. Pope, and Wm. Harden.

Colored—John W. Carter, Peter Young, Simon Adams, Monday Cook, and Emanuel Green.

Whites Ordained—Willis M. Russell, Wm. Harden, and John S. Johnson.

Colored Ordained—Simon Adams, John W. Carter, Monday Cook, and Peter Young.

Q. 9. *What traveling preachers are elected and ordained elders?*

A. Wm. W. Stewart, E. J. Rentz, W. F. Robison, and Geo. S. Johnson.

Q. 10. *What local preachers are elected and ordained elders?*

A. *Elected*—John S. West, M. H. Galloway, and Wm. T. Taylor.

Ordained—John S. West, and M. H. Galloway.

Q. 11. *Who have located this year?*

A. Wm. D. Bussey, Joseph T. Turner, James W. Traywick, Henry D. Murphy.

Q. 12. *Who are supernumcrary?*

A. A. R. Byrd, Wm. F. Conley, and Young F. Tignor.

Q. 13. *Who are superannuated?*

A. W. B. McHan, Charles A. Moore, Wyatt Brooks, J. M. N. Lowe, John B. Wardlaw, John S. Ford, Charles L. Hayes, John H. Robinson, David Blalock, Jacob R. Owen, Henry P. Pitchford, W. W. Griffin, Capel Raiford, Thomas C. Coleman.

Q. 14. *What preachers have died during the year?*

A. Not one.

Q. 15. *Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?*

A. Their names were called one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Q. 16. *What is the number of preachers and members in the several circuits, stations and missions of the Conference?*

A. (See Statistical Table.)

Q. 17. *How many infants and adults have been baptized during the year?*

A. (See Statistical Table.)

Q. 18. *What is the number of Sunday-schools, teachers and scholars?*

A. (See Statistical Table.)

Q. 19. *What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers, and to make up the deficiencies of those who have not obtained their regular allowance in their respective districts, circuits and stations?*

A. \$10,112 50.

Q. 20. *What has been collected on the foregoing accounts, and how has it been applied?*

A. \$5,507 56—paid to claimants.

Q. 21. *What has been contributed to the missionary and tract societies?*

A. For Domestic Missions,.....	\$3,375 05
“ Foreign “	762 75
“ Missionary Debt,.....	227 80—\$4,365 60
“ Tract Society,.....	00 00

Q. 22. *Where shall the next session of Conference be held?*

A. Cuthbert, Georgia.

Q. 23. *Where are the preachers stationed this year?*

SAVANNAH DISTRICT—JAMES W. HINTON, P. E.

Savannah, Trinity—*George G. N. MacDonell.*

“ Wesley Church—*Daniel D. Cox.*

Springfield—*Wm. M. Watts.*

Sylvania—*Robert H. Howren.*

Beaver Dam—To be supplied.

Alexander and Bethel—*Stephen S. Sweet, Lowndes A. Darsey.*

{ Waynesboro—*Newdegate B. Ousley.*

{ Millen Mission—To be supplied.

{ Louisville—*Robert F. Evans, James T. Johnson.*

{ Gibson—*Wm. M. C. Conley.*

Washington—*Charles J. Toole.*

Sandersville—*Thomas B. Lanier.*

Davisboro Circuit—*Seaborn G. Childs.*

MACON DISTRICT—CHARLES R. JEWETT, P. E.

Macon, Mulberry Street—*Joseph S. Key.*

“ City Mission—*James Jones, John W. Burke.*

“ First Street—*J. Blakely Smith.*

Jeffersonville—*Robert W. Flourney.*

Irwinton—*Wesley Lane.*

{ Gordon—*Cosby W. Smith.*

{ Ocmulgee Mission—To be supplied.

Hawkinsville Mission—*Wm. F. Robison.*

Pulaski and Wilcox Mission—To be supplied by E. A. Birch.

Fort Valley—*Edward A. H. McGehee.*

Perry—*Walter Knox.*

Hayneville—*Wm. W. Stewart.*

{ Montezuma and Vienna—*James Harris.*

{ Swift Creek Mission—*James Spence.*

Macon Circuit—*Wm. C. Bass.*

Knoxville Mission—*James Dunrody.*

W. F. College—*John M. Bonnele*—President.

Cosby W. Smith, Wm. C. Bass—Professors.

Editor S. C. Advocate—*Edward H. Myers.*

COLUMBUS DISTRICT—ROBERT B. LESTER, P. E.

Columbus, St. Luke—*James E. Evans.*

{ “ St. Paul—*Alexander M. Wynn.*

{ Girard and Wesley Chapel—*Jesse R. Littlejohn.*

Muscogee—*Stephen D. Clements.*

Pleasant Grove—*Benson E. L. Timmons.*

Butler—*Robert F. Williamson.*

Cedar Creek—*Wm. W. Tidwell.*

Talbotton—*Thomas T. Christian.*

Talbot—*Robert J. Corley, Herbert P. Myers.*

Hamilton—*Wm. A. Parks.*

Lumpkin—*David R. McWilliams.*

{ Buena Vista—George T. Embry.
 { Juniper Mission—To be supplied.
 Cusseta—*Dennis O'Driscoll, Young F. Tignor*, Sup.
 Florence—*Shelton R. Weaver, Henry C. Fentress*.

AMERICUS DISTRICT—JOHN B. MCGEEHEE, P. E.
 Americus—*Robert W. Dixon*.
 Bethel—*Marcus A. McKibben*.
 Magnolia Springs—*John M. Marshall*.
 Starkville Mission—To be supplied by T. L. Speight.
 Cuthbert and Georgetown—*James O. A. Cook*.
 Spring Vale—*George S. Johnson*.
 Dawson—*Benjamin F. Breedlove*.
 Terrell—*Churchwell A. Crowell*.
 Weston—*John W. Mills*.
 Oglethorpe and Ellaville—*Edward J. Rentz*.
 { Albany—*Henry D. Moore*.
 { Flint River Mission—Hastings Pucket.

BAINBRIDGE DISTRICT—GEORGE C. CLARKE, P. E.,
 Bainbridge—*Alvin J. Dean*.
 Decatur—*Wm. M. D. Bond*.
 Spring Hill—*James T. Ainsworth*.
 Thomasville—*James M. Austin*.
 Camilla—*Wm. S. Baker*.
 Oekloeknee Mission—*Philemon C. Harris*, one to be supplied.
 Morgan—*Charles E. Brown*.
 Colquit—To be supplied by D. C. Stanley.
 Spring Creek Mission—To be supplied by Willis M. Russell.
 Trinity and Blakely—*George L. W. Anthony*.
 Fort Gaines—*Benjamin J. Baldwin*.
 Grooversville—*John W. Talley*.

BRUNSWICK DISTRICT—JOHN W. SIMMONS, P. E.
 Brunswick and St. Mary's—*Charles A. Fulwood*.
 Centre Village—*John L. Williams*.
 Waynesville—*John M. Potter*.
 Waresboro—*Wm. T. McMichael*.
 Doctortown Mission—*Wm. M. Kennedy*.
 Holmesville—To be supplied, *Andrew R. Byrd*, Sup.
 Ocmulgee—*Alexander P. Wright*.
 Coffee—To be supplied by E. B. Finley.
 Stockton—*James D. Maulden*.
 Valdosta—*John M. Hendry*.
 Quitman—*Osborne L. Smith*.
 Morven—*Jesse J. Giles*.
 Moultrie Mission—*Matthew H. Fielding*.
 Berrien and Irvin Mission—To be supplied by N. Talley.

ALTAMAHA DISTRICT—LEWIS B. PAYNE, P. E.
 Hinesville—*John E. Sentell*.

Darien and McIntosh—Wm. M. Hays.
 Bryan Mission—To be supplied.
 Statesboro—To be supplied by D. Roberts.
 Swainsboro—*Norman D. Morehouse*.
 Dublin—*John J. Morgan*.
 Oconee—*Carolin C. Hines*.
 Jacksonville—*James G. Worley*.
 Reidsville—*David Crenshaw*.
 Altamaha—*Daniel G. Pope*.
 Profs. in Emory College, *James O. A. Clark, Isaac S. Hopkins*.
 Agent for Emory College, *Freeman F. Reynolds*.
 “ “ Sunday-school Society *L. Pierce*.
 “ “ American Bible Society, *Reuben H. Luckey*.
Samuel Anthony, Superintendant of Colored People.
James A. Wiggins, transferred to Florida Conference.
George Bright and James M. Stokes, transferred to Missouri Conference.
C. P. Jones, transferred to St. Louis Conference.
John P. Duncan, transferred to North Georgia Conference and stationed at Dalton.
John H. Harris, transferred to same Conference and stationed at McDonough.

LAY DELEGATES PRESENT.

SAVANNAH DISTRICT—*E. Bird, J. R. Saussy*.
 MACON—*Rev W. H. Hollinshead, Dr H. S. Wimberly*.
 COLUMBUS—*Rev. T. A. Brown, Dr. W. I. Green, A. C. Flewellen*.
 AMERICUS—*R. J. Redding, J. S. Moreman*.
 BAINBRIDGE—*A. H. Colquit, D. Rambo*.
 BRUNSWICK—
 ALTAMAHA—*E. J. Birch, J. B. Smith, A. Curry*.

MISSIONARY.

OFFICERS AND BOARD OF MANAGERS OF DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

James E. Evans, President; James M. Chambers, Samuel Anthony, Vice Presidents; Geo. G. N. MacDonell, Treasurer; James W. Hinton, Secretary.
 MANAGERS.—*John W. Talley, Lewis B. Payne, N. B. Onsley, Geo. C. Clarke, R. H. Howren, D. D. Cox, J. O. A. Clark, M. Rylander, W. M. Sessions, Dr Henry Wimberly, George A. B. Dozier*.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

A missionary anniversary, although a familiar event, should be hailed ever as an occasion of uncommon interest. It is a time for the review and recital of the year's transactions. If these have been successful, it is a source of Christian joy at the triumph of Christianity; if plans have failed, it is an occasion of sadness, to be mitigated by such improvements as experience may devise. Men and ministers of God meet to re-indorse the grand purpose of subduing the world to Christ.

Christianity goes only where its living examples move. It is not a mere philosophy or code of rationalism to be propagated by the press and social avenues—it is Heaven-derived, and known only by its embodiment in a living ministry and Church.

It will never be sought by the world. It must be carried in pursuance of the apostolic commission: "Go ye, into all the world," &c. Go—not wait, until you are called—not only to pleasant places, but every where in the wide, wide world.

Preaching is of divine ordination—the printing press and moral associations cannot supersede the absolute necessity of preaching. This is the world's panacea, the only elixir that confers immortal life and happiness.

The Board of Managers have at present only the supervision of Domestic Missions; hence, no special mention will be made in this report of the imperative demands of the foreign field, that is committed to another Board of Directors.

Beginning with the several fields occupied as missions in your bounds, the Board would offer the following statistical report. Although an imperfect exhibit of the operations of the Board, the following facts are given to show the extent and character of the transactions of the Missionary Society of the South Georgia Confereace:

Savannah City Mission under the efficient labors of Rev. D. D. Cox, has been attended with much prosperity. Aided by the liberality and co-operation of Trinity Church in Savannah, the missionary has been enabled to organize a new church, known as Wesley church, with such flattering prospects that it will soon be self-sustaining. Trinity church purchased with the cash an unfinished edifice belonging to the Lutherans, completed handsomely the building, and it was dedicated to God in April last, bearing as its title the honored and revered name of Wesley. This was a proper tribute of respect to that apostolic man whose early ministry was in this city. As the amazed spectator surveys the splendid Cathedral of St. Paul's, in London, his eyes read as follows: "Here lies the body of Sir Christopher Wren, the architect of this house. Do you ask for his monument, look around you." So, if you ask for the monument of Wesley, look around you. Churches, Schools and Colleges from the Gulf of St. Lawrence to the Bay San Francisco are his monuments, and these will eternize his fame with more

than pyramidal grandeur. This new church in Savannah is an octagonal structure, located beautifully on Chatham Square, just beyond the splendid monument of Count Pulaski. It has a membership of 140 members—is in a thriving condition spiritually and has paid \$270 towards the support of the pastor. Of course it still needs help, and the Board earnestly endorse it as an enterprise full of merit and promise.

There are no other missions in the Savannah District, but there is much territory that can only be compassed by missionary operations. Hence the Board recommend several mission fields to be entered on the list of appointments.

There ought to be a mission in Screven co., to be called Beaver Dam, embracing a portion of the county full of people but of limited means—several feeble churches existing in the section needing aid to be well served with the gospel.

The Board advise also a mission to be formed of a portion of a portion of Burke co., to be called Millen, beginning at the Millen rail road junction, and including several feeble churches adjacent.

In the Macon District there are several mission fields served the present year.

Macon City Mission—served by Revs. J. Jones and J. W. Burke—is in a flourishing condition. The senior preacher has worked with great diligence his large field, aided by his colleague fully up to the amount of labor which his other duties allowed. These worthy brethren have established several preaching places in the more destitute sections, and by them the word of life is preached at these several points every Sabbath day. The corner stone of a new church edifice has been laid in East Macon, where there is a fine prospect of a self-sustaining organization in that neglected portion of the city. Let this mission be continued.

The Hawkinsville Mission was served by Rev. W. F. Robison, enjoyed a refreshing revival during the year, and its general condition is reported good.

The Board advise the continuance of the *Knoxville Mission* in Crawford co., also the *Wilcox Mission*. These sections are very destitute and can be improved by very small appropriations.

In the Columbus District is the *Girard and Wesley Chape Mission*. Rev. J. R. Littlejohn, missionary, reports two churches having 178 white and 60 colored members, also two flourishing S. Schools—the mission has raised for its S. Schools \$57.15, and \$84.75 for its pastor. The charge has been blessed with a revival of religion which added 74 members to the Church. The Board advise its continuance, and also that a colored preacher be sent to preach to the colored population.

Upatoi Mission was served by Rev. Y. F. Tignor. He has made no report. The Board advise its continuance.

The Swift Creek Mission is in the Americus District, and Rev. James T. Johnson was the pastor. He reports five organized

churches, and another appointment—membership 120. and 3 Sabbath Schools. Pastor received from his charge \$80.30 for his support. Let this field be cultivated further.

From the *Worth and Irwin Mission* we have no report, nor from *Starksville Mission*; but it is deemed important to still occupy these fields. The Board also advise the formation of a new mission of parts of Dougherty, Mitchell and Worth counties.

The *Ocklocknee Mission* is in the Bainbridge District and was worked by Rev. R. F. Evans, who reports four appointments, 152 members—38 added during the year—attention is paid to the baptizing of children by the missionary. Perhaps this is too generally neglected by missionaries. Mission paid its pastor \$105.52. It is prosperous, and should be continued. A new mission should be formed in the forks of the Flint and Chattahoochee rivers, to be called Spring Creek.

Doctor Town Mission is in the bounds of the Brunswick District, served by Rev. W. M. Kennedy, who reports the charge in a good condition. It has 8 preaching places—11 white and 15 colored children baptized—18 white and 25 colored members baptized. People of the charge paid missionary \$279.93 for his support. There are also four Sabbath Schools in operation. Let the work go on and be sustained.

Darien and McIntosh Mission is in Altamaha District in charge of Rev. W. M. Hays, who reports the mission not prosperous, but it has paid the pastor \$432, and the Pres. Elder \$18. One S. School in good condition. It will sustain independently a young man, and should be thus supplied.

From *Bryan Mission* there is no report, nor from *Statesboro' Mission*; but both fields are worth still farther effort.

Such is a rapid survey of a very wide field where labor and money have been expended for the salvation of souls. And this is but a small part of the land—the most destitute only—needing the fostering care of your Society. Now, in view of such a vast opening for ministerial labors, it is painful to the last degree to state that less than \$4,000 has been raised during the year to meet this pressing demand. True, the Board is glad that in the providence of God, the people are able and willing to do even this much to ameliorate the spiritual destitution of the benighted and poor sections of our State. But can it be possible, that there is lack of men and means to carry the gospel to every part of Georgia. So it would seem. Multitudes are in darkness and in death; and yet we carry not to them the word of light and life. Whence this lethargy? It proceeds from doubt and infidelity, from covetousness and illiberality. God's grace is full, free and impartial, for "Jesus tasted death for every man." Shall whole districts raise only a few hundred dollars, where as much could easily be done by one prosperous circuit; perhaps by one prosperous member? Admit the troubles of the times, their *hardness*, to use a familiar phrase—following the desolations of war and financial pros-

tration; yet who will contend, that a due proportion of the available men of the Church is consecrated to the noble work of saving souls.

How is it that some circuits and stations do so much less than others, while the ability is the same or nearly equal? The fact is evident, that some preachers are duly awake to their responsibilities, and others criminally neglectful of their duty. God cannot bless a ministry, not possessing, not cultivating a missionary spirit. We must enlarge our Christian affections or by mere stagnation of religious sympathy, we dwarf our souls, until having no longer affinities for heaven we necessarily gravitate to earth and sin. Onward and forward is the word. Preachers and people alike in their spheres should be animated with the zeal and unity of purpose of an invading army, bent on the conquest of the foes of Jesus.

Much has been done, but there remains yet very much land to be possessed, and in the language of an ancient brave man, we are able to go up and possess the land. The best missionaries are such as feel, "I am debtor to the Greek and Barbarian, to the wise and unwise," feeling that the "Gospel is the power of God unto salvation."

The Board is thankful for what has been achieved, and in enlarging its fields for the next year, it is with the confident expectation, that a corresponding increase of its receipts will justify its appropriations. But in order to do this every man must do his duty—press the missionary collection by special preaching as the Discipline directs. The preachers should begin these collections early in the year and realize as much cash as possible. Let it be remembered, that the appropriations are only provisional and contingent. There is no money in hand, the Treasury is literally empty. For the present year only 72 per cent, of the appropriations can be met. How hard then for the poor missionary to labor all the year, wait for his meagre support to the end, and then have his claim discounted 25 per cent. To avoid this, facts and figures must be kept before the people, by the press and pulpit. Believing the country to be recovering from its prostration, recognizing God's providence and grace in the beneficence of the year now closed, the Board justly, religiously expect a year of increased prosperity to follow. Jesus "went about doing good." Such was his biography. Let us catch the inspiration of his words and deeds, and with unselfish devotion to God and mankind, let us serve our day and generation well. And when the weeping sowers and tired laborers shall gather their sheaves, may the Angel reapers descend and Heaven sing "harvest home."

TREASURER'S REPORT.

GEO. G. N. MACDONELL, *Treasurer.**In account with South Georgia Conference Missionary Society.*

SAVANNAH DISTRICT.		DR.
Savannah, Geo. G. N. MacDonell.....	\$300	00
Trinity Church S. S. Miss. So.....	200	00
Springfield, R. H. Howren.....	50	00
Sylvania and Bethel, S. S. Sweet.....	25	00
Waynesboro, I. S. Hopkins.....	39	60
Alexander, Thomas B. Lanier.....	100	00
Louisville, D. R. McWilliams.....	69	35
Gibson, B. E. L. Timmons.....	7	00
Sandersville Circuit, J. J. Morgan.....	32	00
Swainsboro, J. D. Mauldin.....	40	25

 Total.....\$863 20

MACON DISTRICT.	
Macon, Mulberry Street, J. S. Key.....	\$250 00
Macon, First Street, J. Blakely Smith.....	35 00
Jeffersonville, J. T. Ainsworth.....	57 00
Irwinton, Wesley Lane.....	19 50
Gordon, C. W. Smith.....	14 00
Fort Valley, E. A. H. McGehee.....	157 80
Perry, W. Knox.....	30 50
Hayneville, W. W. Stewart.....	100 00
Vienna, E. J. Rentz.....	18 50
Macon Circuit, W. C. Bass.....	34 00
Knoxville Mission, E. S. Bassett.....	3 55

 Total\$719 85

COLUMBUS DISTRICT.	
Columbus, St. Luke, J. E. Evans.....	\$172 00
" St. Paul, A M Wynn.....	172 00
Muscogee, S. D. Clements.....	20 00
Pleasant Grove, W. W. Tidwell.....	5 00
Upatoi Mission, Y. F. Tignor.....	1 50
Butler, G. L. W. Anthony.....	15 00
Talbotton, R. W. Dixon.....	50 00
Talbot Circuit, C. A. Fulwood.....	29 00
Hamilton, W. A. Parks.....	40 00
Stewart, W. G. Hanson.....	10 00
Buena Vista, Geo. T. Embry.....	36 00
Cusseta, D. O'Driscoll.....	45 00
Lanier, J. R. Hayes.....	10 00

 Total.....\$605 55

AMERICUS DISTRICT.

Americus, Chas. P. Jones.....	\$139 00
Bethel, George Bright.....	35 00
Magnolia Springs, B. F. Breedlove.....	93 00
Oglethorpe and Montezuma, S. Anthony.....	53 00
Starkville, J. G. Worley.....	9 00
Randolph, J. W. Mills.....	12 00
Florence, S. R. Weaver.....	14 40
Dawson, Thomas T. Christian.....	70 00
Weston, C. A. Crowell.....	35 00
Ellaville, R. F. Williamson.....	50 00
Albany, H. D. Moore.....	22 75
Total.....	\$533 15

BAINBRIDGE DISTRICT.

Bainbridge, A. J. Dean.....	\$23 60
Decatur, W. M. D. Bond.....	12 00
Spring Hill, James Harris.....	9 00
Thomasville, N. B. Ousley.....	00 00
Camilla, M. A. McKibben.....	27 25
Morgan, R. W. Flournoy.....	50 00
Grooverville, J. W. Talley.....	30 10
Total.....	\$151 95

BRUNSWICK DISTRICT.

Brunswick and St. Mary's, R. J. Corley.....	\$40 00
Waynesville, N. D. Morehouse.....	6 00
Waresboro, W. T. McMichael.....	7 00
Doctor Town Mission, W. M. Kennedy.....	15 20
Holmesville, S. G. Childs.....	11 10
Ocmulgee, W. F. Conley.....	15 00
Stockton, W. H. Fielding.....	6 00
Valdosta, J. J. Giles.....	10 00
Quitman, J. M. Hendry.....	26 75
Morven, P. C. Harris.....	15 50
Total.....	\$152 55

ALTAMAHAN DISTRICT.

Hinesville, John E. Sentell.....	\$78 40
Darien and McIntosh, William M. Hays.....	10 50
Bryan Mission.....	22 35
Statesboro Circuit.....	11 05
Dublin.....	53 00
Mt. Vernon, W. M. Conley.....	15 70
Jacksonville, W. D. Bussey.....	58 90
Reidsville, W. M. Watts.....	60 70
Total.....	\$310 60

AGGREGATE COLLECTIONS.

Savannah District	\$863 20
Macon "	719 85
Columbus "	605 50
Americus "	533 15
Bainbridge "	151 95
Brunswick "	152 55
Altamaha "	310 60
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Total	\$2336 80
From A. Wright, Treasurer N. Ga. Con., Miss. So., Ga.	
R. R. Dividends.....	28 25
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	\$3365 05
To cash on hand at last report	14 41
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Total.....	\$3375 46

CREDITS.

By amount remitted A. P. McFerrin, Treas. Parent	
Board 1-10.....	330 60
By amount paid to missionaries on account 1868.....	3024 00
Balance, cash on hand.....	14 86
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Total.....	\$3375 46

RECEIVED FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS.

SAVANNAH DISTRICT.

Savannah, Trinity,...	\$ 97 25
" Wesley,.....	10 75
Waynesboro Circuit,.....	21 00
Louisville "	21 25
Bethel "	3 00
Swainsboro "	10 00
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Total,.....	\$163 25

MACON DISTRICT.

Macon, Mulberry Street, "Mary Allen" Society,.....	\$100 00
" First Street,.....	10 15
Perry Station,.....	14 00
Fort Valley Circuit,.....	30 00
Jeffersonville "	9 00
Macon "	1 00
Hayneville "	3 15
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Total.....	\$167 30

COLUMBUS DISTRICT.

Columbus, St. Luke,	\$ 90 00
Talbotton Station,	24 40
Buena Vista Circuit,	15 00
Cusseta “	13 50
Lanier “	5 00
Talbot “	12 50
Total	<u>\$160 40</u>

AMERICUS DISTRICT.

Americus Sunday-school,	\$ 80 00
Cuthbert Station,	20 50
{ Dawson,	10 00
“ Sunday-school,	11 00
{ Rev. William Hays,	5 00
Weston Circuit,	15 00
Ellaville “	3 00
Randolph “	3 00
Oglethorpe and Montezuma Sunday-schools,	11 50
Total	<u>\$159 00</u>

BAINBRIDGE DISTRICT.

Bainbridge Station,	\$ 12 00
Thomasville “	25 20
Grooversville Circuit,	16 55
Camilla “	4 75
Total	<u>\$58 50</u>

BRUNSWICK DISTRICT.

Brunswick Sunday-school,	\$ 11 50
Valdosta Circuit,	3 25
Waresboro “	1 50
Donation from a brother,	10 00
Quitman Sunday-school,	10 00
Total	<u>\$ 36 25</u>

ALTAMAHA DISTRICT.

Hinesville Circuit,	\$ 5 55
Reidville “	10 00
Dublin “	2 50
Total,	<u>\$ 18 06</u>

SUMMARY.

Savannah District.....	\$163 25
Macon ".....	167 30
Columbus ".....	160 40
Americus ".....	159 00
Bainbridge ".....	58 50
Brunswick ".....	36 25
Altamaha ".....	13 05
Total.....	<u>\$762 75</u>



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By amounts forwarded Rev. E. H. Myers, from various charges,.....	\$260 80
By amounts forwarded to W T. Smithson, from various charges,.....	208 00
Balance, cash on hand,.....	293 95
Total.....	<u>\$762 75</u>

RECEIVED FOR MISSIONARY DEBT.

SAVANNAH DISTRICT.

Louisville Circuit,.....	\$ 25 00
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MACON DISTRICT.

Perry Station,.....	\$ 10 00
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COLUMBUS DISTRICT.

Talbotton Station.....	\$ 20 00
Lumpkin ".....	20 00
Cusseta Circuit,.....	15 00
Buena Vista ".....	15 00
Hamilton ".....	10 00
Muscogee ".....	20 00
Lanier ".....	2 50
Pleasant Grove Circuit,.....	1 20
Stewart ".....	5 00
Talbot ".....	30 00
Upatoi Mission,.....	2 00
Total.....	<u>\$140 70</u>

AMERICUS DISTRICT.

Albany Station,	\$ 10 00
Randolph Circuit,	10 00
Weston “	15 00
Florence “	12 10
Bethel “	5 00
Total.....	\$ 52 10

SUMMARY.

Savannah District,	\$ 25 00
Macon “	10 00
Columbus “	140 70
Americus “	52 10
Total.....	\$227 80

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By amount forwarded to E. H. Myers,	\$ 67 19
Balance, cash on hand for Missionary Debt,	160 70

THE MISSIONARY DEBT.

The General Conference at New Orleans found a heavy burden of debt resting on the Missionary Society, and no assets. It resolved, that the Church *must* pay her debts, and the sum due was divided out among the Conferences for collection. The S. G. Conference was assessed \$2,200; a little over \$700 of which has been paid in three years. There remains near \$1,500 to pay—about 7½ cents for every member. Let us get rid of our share of this debt early—at once—without delay. The P Elders will see on page what is needed in each District, after making the credits for the payments of the three past years, which we have aggregated below. Will they not help to make an earnest effort to *pay our part of the debt this Spring?*

E. H. MYERS, Receiver.

COLLECTION FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Attention is solicited to the resolutions respecting Foreign Missions, and the time of taking missionary collections, on another page.

The assessment of \$2,000 for Foreign Missions is embraced in that of \$10,000 to missionary purposes—one-fifth to Foreign, four-fifths to Domestic Missions.

PAYMENTS

ON MISSIONARY DEBT, 1866, 1867 AND 1868.

In dividing out the assessment for 1869, the sums following are to be credited to the charges named:

Trinity, Savannah.....	\$ 15 00
Springfield.....	24 00
Louisville....	25 00
Sandersville.....	15 00
Fort Valley	40 00
Perry.....	10 00
Hayneville.....	40 00
St. Luke, Columbus.....	105 00
St. Paul, ".....	105 00
Muscogee.....	28 00
Pleasant Grove.....	1 20
Talbotton.....	30 00
Talbot Circuit.....	30 00
Hamilton.....	10 00
Lumpkin.....	20 00
Buenavista.....	32 50
Cusseta.	15 00
Upatoie.....	2 00
Florence.....	12 10
Americus.....	80 10
Bethel.....	34 50
Magnolia Springs.....	15 00
Weston.....	25 00
Lanier.....	2 50
Stewart.....	5 00
Randolph.....	10 00
Albany.....	10 00
Morven.....	10 00
Hinesville.....	15 00
Total.....	<u>\$766 90</u>

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

It is a matter of sincere regret to your committee, that there is such apathy both among preachers and people on this important interest of our church. We do earnestly desire that there may be more zeal displayed the ensuing year, and for all time to come, in behalf of Foreign Missions.

It reflects no little discredit upon our church in Georgia, that our noble, self-sacrificing Missionary in China, Y. J. Allen, has not been supported by us.

The Committee do not think it advisable or necessary to form a Board of Foreign Missions in this Conference. There

is no provision in the Discipline of our Church for Foreign Boards in the Annual Conferences, auxiliary to the present Board of Foreign Missions. If there was such a provision, it would be useless, unless there was more for such an Auxiliary Board to do.

Your Committee recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That this Conference concur, and unite with the North Georgia Conference in the support of Young J. Allen, Missionary to China; and the members of this Conference hereby pledge themselves to do their utmost to raise, during the next Conference year, two thousand dollars for this purpose.

Resolved, That said two thousand dollars be apportioned to the Presiding Elder Districts in the same ratio with the fund for superannuated preachers, and that the Presiding Elders apportion such amounts to the charges in their Districts in the same ratio, and that such amounts be raised as early as possible.

Resolved, That our Sunday Schools be urged to form themselves into Missionary Societies, and that as much as possible of the two thousand dollars be raised in this way.

Resolved, That this Conference appoint a permanent Treasurer for Foreign Missions, to whom the members of this Conference shall remit both at and during the interval of the Conference, all money collected for Foreign Missions in the bounds of their charges. Said Treasurer shall forward such amounts to the Treasurer of the Board of Foreign Missions.

Adopted; and E. H. Myers was appointed Treasurer of Foreign Mission Fund.

RESOLUTIONS RESPECTING MISSIONARY COLLECTIONS.

1. That in order to sustain and enlarge our missionary operations each church in the bounds of this conference should adopt a systematic plan of contributing—one that will appeal to and enlist its entire individual membership.

2. That our Church and District-meetings be and are hereby requested to provide, if practicable, for at least four Annual Missionary Meetings in each Presiding Elder's District.

SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

OFFICERS AND BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE SUNDAY-SCHOOL SOCIETY

Alexander M. Wynn, President; W. A. Parks, 1st Vice President; T. T. Christian, 2d Vice President; J. Blakely Smith, Treasurer; Isaac S. Hopkins, Secretary.

MANAGERS.—B. F. Breedlove, James M. Austin, A. J. Dean, J. M. Hendry, Wm. S. Baker, E. A. H. McGehee, John W. Simons, L. B. Bouchelle, D. W. McNeil, J. R. Kimbrough, C. A. Crowell.

ANNUAL REPORT OF BOARD OF MANAGERS.

The increased interest in the Sunday-school cause throughout our bounds is a matter of rejoicing with us, and calls for profound gratitude to Almighty God.

The approximate number of pupils under our instruction is 10,549—a large increase during the past year—of whom 256 are reported as having received converting grace. Money contributed \$3,645 85.

Not only is the increased interest upon the part of the Church, and the growing number of our pupils a cause of gratulation, but also the improving character of our schools. The missionary spirit is largely infused. That great law of God which comes in contact with, and opposes all human selfishness, and which is hard to be obeyed by many of the wisest and best, "look not every one on his own things, but also on the things of others" is being inculcated in the tender minds and yielding hearts of the children of the Sunday-school. While they are taught to love and adore the name of Jesus, they are sending their prayers to Heaven and their contributions to the Missionary in far-off China, that the heathen, too, may learn the name of Jesus and worship the God of the Bible. Is it not auspicious of great good in the future that even the *children* of the Church are becoming an instrument of power in the conversion of the world? May the time come when every Sunday-school in the South Georgia Conference shall be a Missionary Society.

There is another cause of gratitude to God. We have learned, doubtless, by the teaching of the Spirit of all grace, that the paramount object of the Sabbath-school is the conversion of souls. The grand principle to which Jehovah himself has ever adhered whether to maintain his government, glorify his name, or promote the happiness of immortal intelligence—the principle of *progress*—has marked the Sunday-school cause ever since its first institution, until at last it has reached the Heaven-appointed object—the conversion and final salvation of the children. It is a sad truth, that old persons—even the middle aged, are seldom brought to Christ. In vain the Holy Spirit strives; in vain God's ministers plead with, weep and mourn over them; and are finally compelled to turn away with anguished hearts, and to abandon the hardened sinner to his sad fate. But in the virgin soil of the youthful heart, the seed of gospel grace, gathered from the garden of Heaven is never sown in vain. It should be the prayer and effort of every gospel minister and Sunday-school teacher to lead the young to him, who said "suffer little children to come unto me and forbid them not." Let love divine be the qualification of every teacher—the cross, the insignia upon every Sunday-school banner.

The Sabbath-school is not only the nursery of the Church, but of Heaven likewise. While many tender budding plants are transferred to the vineyard of the Lord to bring forth fruit

to the glory and honor of God, many more are transplanted to Eden's bower to bloom in the light of immortal glory.

With the manifest increasing zeal in this department of our Zion, the future of the Church can be easily foretold. Her standard of piety will be elevated, her borders enlarged, her numbers multiplied and better than all, she will swell the ranks of the saints in light.

RESOLUTIONS RESPECTING SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

Resolved, 1. That the Presiding Bishop be requested to appoint Dr. Lovick Pierce, as Sunday-school Agent for next year. And recognizing as we do, his pre-eminent worth, faithfulness, and great efficiency as a father in the Church, and belonging, as we feel he does, to the whole Church, especially to the Church in Georgia, we do hereby declare it to be the sense of this Conference, that the amount and kind of labor he may perform as to time and place, be left entirely to his own discretion.

Resolved, 2. That it be recommended to the Sunday-schools throughout the Conference to adopt the best practical plan to raise missionary money to aid in the support of our missionary in China, Young J. Allen, and that each preacher be requested to assist in carrying out the spirit of this resolution in every Sunday-school in his charge.

Resolved, That each preacher in charge be required to take up a collection for the S. S. Society, in the month of February or March, and forward the same to the Treasurer of said Society, to whom all applications for books for destitute Sabbath-schools shall be made.

FINANCIAL MATTERS.

FINANCIAL BOARD.—Joseph S. Key, D. R. McWilliams, T. T. Christian, Charles A. Fulwood, H. D. Moore, D. D. Cox, John J. Morgan, Wm. H. Hollinshead, A. H. Flewellin, J. R. Sanssy, A. C. Flewellin, A. H. Colquit, T. D. Hawkins, and H. Andrews.

TO THE PREACHERS AND MEMBERS OF THE

SOUTH GEORGIA CONFERENCE.

Dear Brethren: Our Conference at session of 1867 adopted the following resolutions:

“1. The Board of Missions shall estimate from year to year the amounts necessary for the support of Missions, and furnish the same to the Joint Board of Finance.

“2. The Joint Board of Finance shall estimate from year to year the amounts necessary to meet the claims upon them.

“The Joint Board of Finance shall divide these amounts, together with the Bishops' claim upon this Conference, equitably between the Presiding Elders' Districts, and furnish each Presiding Elder with his assessment.”

The Conference also passed the following resolution :

"That the M. E. Church, South, is under strong obligations to liquidate the Missionary debt, and the members of the South Georgia Conference hereby pledge themselves to renewed effort in that direction."

And it also resolved to try to collect \$2,000 for the support of Young J. Allen, Missionary to China, and to raise a fund for the education of young men.

To facilitate the collection of these sums, they, too, have been divided out, in the same proportion with the Conference collection.

The following are

THE ASSESSMENTS FOR 1869.

	Conference.	Missionary.	Bishops'.	Education.	Miss. D't.
Savannah District,	\$2,000 00	\$2,000 00	\$200 00	\$200 00	\$440 00
Macon "	2,000 00	2,000 00	200 00	200 00	440 00
Columbus "	2,000 00	2,000 00	200 00	200 00	440 00
Americus "	2,000 00	2,000 00	200 00	200 00	440 00
Bainbridge "	1,000 00	1,000 00	100 00	100 00	220 00
Brunswick "	700 00	700 00	70 00	70 00	154 00
Altamaha "	300 00	300 00	30 00	30 00	66 00

See on page 19 the credits to be given on the Missionary debt. The Missionary assessment above is for both Domestic and Foreign Missions.

It will be seen that the total assessments for *five* important collections are stated here. The whole sum will be paid, if \$1.20—or 2½ cents a week—be obtained from each member of the Church. Of course, many can give more; but the effort should be to get at least *this little* from *every* member. At least, let this average be aimed at. Here is a *point to which* each one may work. The spirit of Christianity requires that every one, however poor, give "*a mite*," while those more able should "give according to their several abilities."

To give proper direction in this matter, the Conference has passed the following resolutions :

"The Presiding Elder shall subdivide these amounts between the Circuits, Stations and Missions of their Districts, and at the earliest practicable moment furnish the same to the preacher in charge.

"Preachers in charge at the beginning of the year shall procure books and take the name of every member, together with the friends of the church in their charge, and seek by personal appeal to lay on each one the obligation to contribute—taking subscriptions and cash.

"Preachers in charge shall also take up a public collection for missions, and also a Conference collection, at each Church in their charge, on which occasions sermons shall always be preached on the subject of the collection, and such information furnished as shall stimulate and increase the liberality of the Church."

JOS. S. KEY,
Chairman Financial Board.

ADDRESS OF THE LAY REPRESENTATIVES TO THE CHURCH.

To the Stewards and Members of the M. E. C. South, in the South Georgia Conference :

Dear Brethren : We the lay delegates assembled in council, are, we trust, prepared fully to realize and appreciate the wants of the Church and Ministry.

We embrace this opportunity to communicate to you the feelings and sentiments that inspire our hearts, while considering the great and momentous interests involved, and in which you are deeply interested. We feel the more induced to do so from the fact that, as the lay delegates to the Conference, we represent all sections of the work, and further from the fact, that we have been able here more fully to feel our responsibilities, as laymen, in view of our obligations to God, the Church, and the World.

The great wants of the Church, as they present themselves to our minds are :

1st. Increased spirituality and faithfulness on the part of the ministry and membership.

2nd. A more deep and abiding conviction of the obligation you are under to support the Church and ministry. While we are fully convinced, that it is essential to the prosperity of the cause of Christ, that the ministry should and must be "faithful ensamples to the flock"—for "like priest, like people;" and that if they expect the membership to do their duty to them and the Church, they must "be instant in season and out of season," caring for the Church, and doing the full work of the ministry; at the same time, it is just as essential, and the bounden duty of the membership to hold up their hands by their prayers and kindly attentions; by attending upon all the means of grace, and by providing a comfortable support for preachers and their families, so that they may not be embarrassed in their work, and the word of God thereby hindered. We should provide them temporal things, while they labor for us in spiritual things.

This obligation is too plainly taught in God's word, and even by the Saviour himself, to need any argument to prove it; but to fully satisfy any doubting mind, we will present some scriptural testimony—and give some reasons why the Church should discharge this plain duty to the ministry.

The Saviour in sending forth his apostles to preach the word, said in the great commission given to them, "carry neither purse nor script—and into whatever house ye enter, remain eating and drinking, for the laborer is worthy of his hire."

The Saviour while intending to teach his disciples the duty of trusting in him, evidently intended at the same time to teach them and the people to whom they were sent, the duty of providing for their temporal wants—for he adds, "the laborer

is worthy of his hire." On the same subject, the Apostle Paul speaks with emphasis, and declares that "so hath God ordained that they that preach the Gospel should live of the Gospel.

The reasonableness of the obligation grows out of these facts :

1st. The Minister of Christ is a laborer—he labors for us—for our souls specially, and watches over us, as one that must give account. He labours for us in the pulpit, around the altar, in our families, at our bedside, when sick or dying, and administers words of consolation to our doubting hearts. He buries our dead, weeps with them that weep, and comforts the stricken heart.

2nd. We accept his services, and, viewing it simply as a business transaction, we are thereby responsible for his support. This appears not only through the mutual agreement entered into between the Conference and the Churches, to which we all become parties under the polity of our Church, when we become members of it, and which is as sacred an obligation as any bond—but, beyond all this, we are bound by the promise or pledge to pay him a specific amount or salary, made by our agents, the Stewards—who are authorized and empowered to do so, by the Discipline of the Church, under which they are appointed, and which requires at their hands, that they should feel solemnly bound to afford a competent support to those who are appointed to labor amongst them.

You will thus perceive, brethren, that our pastor is a laborer entitled to compensation, not only by the Constitution of our Church, but by a sacred pledge, made to him by your own agents; and inasmuch as your pastor can have no voice in the matter, but must remain passive and submit to your decision and action—you are thereby, it would seem doubly bound in law, justice and honour, to meet your obligations to him and pay the bond in full. But we will not dwell longer on this subject, except to add—brethren, fulfil your just obligations to your pastors, and then in a proper manner, if needs be, require at his hands a full performance of all his obligations; to you and the church—but do not, we pray you, fail to perform your part of the contract and pledge to him, and then complain of his want of faithfulness, in order to find an excuse for your unfaithfulness to him.

We are satisfied that we cannot too earnestly press upon your minds, the great importance of sustaining the ministry, both by your prayers and purse; for while we consider it beneath the dignity of an ambassador of Christ, in the slightest degree to make a moneyed consideration a ground of faithfulness to God or the Church, yet at the same time, we must remember that entirely dependant as the minister frequently is upon the church for his support, if you fail to afford it to him to say the least of it, he must necessarily be embarrassed in the work in which he is engaged.

A failure in Conference collections to provide yearly, an

amount sufficient to sustain the worn out servants of the church, to say the least of it, may cause some one to be troubled in mind, if not in heart, as age and infirmity creeps on apace, or failing health admonishes the man of God, that his days will soon be numbered, and he must leave a helpless wife and little ones, to depend upon the cold charities of the church.

Or a failure to supply the scanty support promised to the pastor by the church, may induce some to engage in a secular calling, in connection with the ministry, greatly to the detriment of the holy cause in which he is laboring.

We are fully aware, brethren, of the terrible losses you have sustained, and the greatly impoverished state of the country, and yet all is not lost. We have enough left us to be thankful for, and can, if we but possess the spirit of the poor widow in the gospel, sustain it where it is already preached, and send it to regions beyond us.

If we wish to have a faithful minister, receive him kindly, provide well for all his temporal wants, convince him he shall receive a comfortable support, hold up his hands by prayer and faith, and our word for it, God's blessing will descend upon the church and community to which he is sent.

Brethren, though we thus write earnestly, and, by Scripture and reason, urge upon you the importance of sustaining the ministry, it is not because we believe you are unwilling to do your duty, but because we fear you are not fully alive to your obligations in this matter.

The Stewards of the church we would affectionately and earnestly exhort, to awake to a just and full appreciation of the highly responsible position they occupy. It is your duty brethren—and yours alone—to provide for your pastor. To you he looks, and upon you alone must he depend. We beseech you then to fully discharge the duty of a Steward of the church as the Discipline requires, and great will be your peace of conscience and final reward.

Brethren, appreciate the blessings of a pure gospel, preached by a faithful ministry; appreciate your privileges in this gospel. How great an honor to be called a child of God, an heir of heaven, a joint heir with Jesus Christ. Cleave to the church and ministry of your choice; for your own sake, for your family's sake, and for the world's sake.

In order to secure more certainly the means to support the ministry, we take the liberty of presenting to you a plain, practical system of finance to operate with, and although it may not be perfect in all its parts, nor meet fully the varied conditions of the people and work, yet we are fully convinced that if faithfully adhered to, it will greatly assist you in raising the needful supplies.

The more effectually to carry out the plan offered, it is hereby recommended that each Board of Stewards organize by the election of a President, a Secretary and Treasurer, and then:

1st. On the arrival of the preacher in charge, the President shall call a meeting of the Board of Stewards.

2nd. The Stewards shall proceed at once to determine the amount necessary to be raised during the year, to support their Church, embracing the allowance to the preacher in charge, the Presiding Elder, and incidental expenses.

3rd. The Stewards shall request the pastor to call a Church meeting to raise the means necessary to support the Church either by voluntary contributions or assessments as may be deemed best by the Church.

4th. The assessments agreed to shall be divided into monthly instalments.

5th. The membership thus assessed for monthly payments shall be apportioned out amongst the Stewards, as they may deem proper and best, to collect the same monthly.

6th. There shall be a regular monthly meeting of the Board as far as practicable, at which time each Steward shall report moneys collected, and pay the same over to the Treasurer, and as far as possible settle up fully all indebtedness.

[The above address was conceived and proposed by the lay delegates to the Conference, and it was requested by them to be sent forth to the Churches through the Minutes.]

EDUCATIONAL.

STANDING COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.—E. H. Myers, J. O. A. Cook, R. W. Dixon, Robert J. Corley, James Jackson, W. H. Robinson, A. H. Colquitt, Joseph S. Key, John W. Burke.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

At the last session of the Conference, it was recommended to the District-meetings to take under their care, and dispose of the Institutions at Bainbridge, Thomasville, and Talbotton, as far as their power over them allowed, for the best interests of the education of the Church. This, we believe, was done—though there has been no formal report to the Conference of the disposition made of these Institutions.

This being done, there are left under the care and control of this Conference, but three Institutions, viz: Emory College, the Wesleyan Female College, and the Andrew Female College.

It is with great satisfaction, that we learn that all these Institutions are, considering the condition of the country, flourishing, and recovering from the depression and embarrassments of the times. It is not needful, here and now, to discuss the subject of education, and the absolute need of the Church watching over and furthering the education of the children of

the Church. The hope is, that after the years of effort in this direction by the Georgia Conferences, the people are so far aroused to the subject that the cause has received such an impulse as will carry it forward to a glorious future success.

We therefore only offer the following resolution :

Resolved, That the South Georgia Conference renew their pledges to do what they can for the success of our Institutions of learning—Emory College, the Wesleyan Female College, and Andrew Female College, and we pledge ourselves to speak and work for them to the extent of our ability. Adopted.

THE ENDOWMENT SCHEMES.

It is well known, that a new scheme of endowment has been inaugurated for Emory College and the Wesleyan Female College, for the former by the payment of \$20, and the latter of \$10 a year, and that though their success, as yet, is only partial, yet already the funds collected have subserved a very necessary purpose in rehabilitating these Institutions—so greatly needing aid, after the dilapidations of a few years of compulsory neglect. There is much to say in behalf of these schemes ; but we think the reasons for this plan of endowment will so commend themselves to the Methodists of Georgia, that we need not give them here, in detail.

We only offer the following resolution :

Resolved, That the members of this Conference will give their influence to promoting the Endowment Plan of Emory College, and the Wesleyan Female College, by personal appeals to the members of the Church and other friends of education, and through the District-meetings especially. Adopted.

THE EDUCATION OF YOUNG MINISTERS.

The collections for the education of young men, intending to enter the ministry have been \$302 00

The disbursements..... 129 00

Leaving in hand..... 173 00

The Board have under their care one very promising young brother in the Junior Class of Emory College, and desire to continue him in the Institution this year. There are at least two of the young preachers in the Conference who wish and need aid from the Board, while they perfect themselves in their English studies, at the same time attending to the work assigned them—provided it leaves them any time for attending school.

The following resolution is proposed :

Resolved, That the Board of Education be directed to estimate the amount necessary to support young men preparing for the ministry, and to divide this amount equitably between

the Districts—to be raised during the year, by the co-operation of Presiding Elders and Quarterly Conferences. Adopted.

[The sum of \$1,000 assessed in accordance with above resolution, is divided out to the Districts, on page 23.]

APPLICATION OF YOUNG MEN PREPARING FOR THE MINISTRY.

By the law of the Conference the applicant must be “recommended by the quarterly conference of the charge of which he is a member, with a written statement of his qualifications and character, and of the amount of aid he may need.”

In order to bring out the facts proper to be known, the applicant is required—

1st. To write *himself* to the Committee stating in full his religious history and experience, and his convictions on the subject of preaching.

2d. Either he or his friends must give information—

1. As to parentage, age, name in full, Church at which he is a member, and P. O., etc.

2. How far is he advanced in his studies?

3. Is there a good and suitable school convenient to his residence?

4. Can his friends or parents give him any pecuniary aid; and how much a year; and with how little aid yearly from the Board can his education be carried forward?

5. Any other information that he or his friends can give that may help the Executive Committee to form a correct judgment in the premises should be furnished.

The Committee can do nothing without funds. At the Conference several brethren promised to raise money for this object during the year. Let them collect and forward early. We beg that the Presiding Elders and preachers of the South Georgia Conference take this thing in hand, bring the subject before their quarterly conferences and District-meetings, seek out pious and gifted young men, raise money and forward it to the Committee, *so that they can begin their work without delay.*

Members of the Church who wish to aid in this enterprise and to see young men properly educated for the ministry, are solicited to contribute to this fund. Each may help a little; and many small gifts from a great number will do as much, or more, than larger sums from fewer persons.

Funds may be sent to J. W. Burke, Macon, Treasurer.

Communications may be addressed to

E. H. MYERS, Chairman Committee.

CONFERENCE COURSE OF STUDY FOR CANDIDATES FOR ADMISSION ON TRIAL.

CANDIDATES.—The Bible; Wesley’s Sermons on Justification by Faith and on the Witness of the Spirit; Rules concerning the Duty of a Preacher, as laid down in the Discipline; Written Essay or Sermon.

FIRST YEAR.—The Bible: Historical and Biographical parts with reference to Watson's Biblical and Theological Dictionary enlarged, with New Biblical Atlas, and Preachers' Text Book. Wesley's Sermons—Volume I. Discipline, Hymn Book, Clarke's Preachers' Manual. Watson's Institutes, Part III. Theological Compend, English Grammar, Composition.

SECOND YEAR.—The Bible: as to the Institutions of Christianity, with reference to Watson's Dictionary, as above. Wesley's Sermons, Volume II. Discipline, with reference to Henkle's Analysis. Hymn Book. Smith's Elements of Divinity. Watson's Institutes, Part IV. Watson's Life of Wesley, and Observations on Southey. Essay or Sermon, with reference to Quackenbos' Advanced Course of Composition and Rhetoric.

THIRD YEAR.—The Bible: as to Doctrines, with reference to Watson's Dictionary, as above. Wesley's Sermons, Vol. III. Discipline. Hymn Book, Watson's Institutes, Part II. Whately's Rhetoric. Essay or Sermon, with reference to Vinet's Pastoral Theology.

FOURTH YEAR.—The Bible, generally, with reference to Watson's Dictionary, as above. Wesley's Sermons, Vol. IV. Discipline. Hymn Book. Rivers' Elements of Moral Philosophy. Watson's Institutes, Part I. Powell on Succession. Ruter's Church History. Whately's Logic. Essay or Sermon.

EXAMINING COMMITTEES.

CANDIDATES.—J. E. Evans, H. D. Moore, John M. Marshall.

FIRST YEAR.—James M. Austin, I. S. Hopkins, James T. Ainsworth.

SECOND YEAR.—R. W. Dixon, B. F. Breedlove, L. B. Payne.

THIRD YEAR.—R. H. Howren, T. T. Christian, N. B. Ousley.

FOURTH YEAR.—J. O. A. Clark, W. A. Parks, Charles A. Fulwood.

BOOKS AND PERIODICALS,

The Committee on Books and Periodicals report, that they have examined with much gratification the report of the condition and prospects of the Southern Methodist Publishing House. The highest credit is due to Dr. Redford for his untiring energy, and for the financial skill and ability which he has exhibited in its management. It is an enterprise that should be fostered. Ministers and people should unite in their efforts to free it from the embarrassments of debt, and place it upon an independent footing. To this end we may contribute by buying its publications. At the same time we may accomplish much good by supplanting with them the fabulous histories and romances so eagerly read in the present age.

We commend to the patronage of our brethren the Nashville Christian Advocate and the Sunday School Visitor.

The Committee invite particular attention to our own organ, the Southern Christian Advocate. Within the bounds of its circulation there are about one hundred thousand communicants. We think a proportion of one subscriber to every ten of these members is not too much to expect for a paper devoted exclusively to their interests. There are twenty thousand members in the South Georgia Conference, and one hundred preachers. If during the next year there should be obtained, by each preacher, not less than twenty subscribers, counting both renewals and new subscribers, or if that should be the average reached, the arrearages of the paper will be fully settled. We urge upon our brethren to keep this point in view and work to this end.

Resolved, That this Conference will sustain the Southern Christian Advocate.

Resolved, That we endeavor to extend its circulation until it reaches every Methodist family. Adopted.

REPORT ON THE BIBLE CAUSE.

The Committee on the Bible Cause submit the following resolutions, as their report:

Resolved, That our love to, and interest in the Bible Cause, our confidence in the American Bible Society, and in its agent Rev. R. H. Luckey, are not diminished but increasing.

Resolved That the thanks of this Conference be hereby tendered to the American Bible Society for its efforts to enlarge the circulation of the Holy Scriptures within the bounds of this Annual Conference and elsewhere, for its very liberal donation of Bibles and Testaments to our own poor and destitute, and to our beloved brother, the Agent of the Society, now present with us, for his indefatigable and efficient zeal in the great and noble work in which he is engaged.

Resolved, That we hereby renew to the Society and Agent our promise and pledge of co-operation.

Resolved, That we praise the God of the Bible and Great Head of the Church for the success of the American Bible Society in the past, and renew our earnest prayers that God may increasingly magnify His Word, and hasten the time when a copy of the Holy Scriptures shall be found in every household, and be read and obeyed by every soul for whom Christ died.

Resolved, That we request the Bishop to reappoint Brother Luckey, Agent of the American Bible Society. Adopted.

LAY DELEGATES

Are to be elected by the District-meetings, to be qualified as the Discipline directs; and no travelling preacher, having a vote in the Annual Conference, is to vote on the question in the District meeting.

THE INCORPORATED CONFERENCE.

E. H. Myers was elected President, J. Blakely Smith, Secretary, and T. T. Christian, Treasurer, of the Legal Conference.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Treasurer of this Legal Conference be and he is hereby appointed a commissioner to confer with the commissioner of the North Georgia Conference respecting all property belonging to the two Conferences, and that he be empowered to act with discretionary power in the division or sale or retention of land owned in copartnership, as the two commissioners may think best for our mutual interest.

RESOLUTIONS.

FIDELITY IN EXAMINATION OF CHARACTER OF PREACHERS.

WHEREAS, An Annual Conference in our economy is an executive body to which belongs the sole power of graduating into office an itinerant, pastoral ministry, into whose hands must come every interest of the Church, ministerial, pastoral and administrative:—

AND WHEREAS, An Annual Conference, invested with these executive duties and powers becomes officially responsible for the ministers, pastors and administrative guardians of our people and churches:

AND WHEREAS, An Annual Conference cannot pass the character of one of its body, and place him in the hands of the Bishop, to be placed as an overseer over Christ's flock, without an actual endorsement of his fitness for the work it employs him to do:

AND WHEREAS, Every endorsement of an unfaithful pastor will appear to lookers on—and come to be felt by our people, as the evidence of indifference on our part, as the guardians of their interest; or else of utter want of moral courage to do our duty, as a court of inquiry and as a college of graduation into the holy office not of a mere good preacher, but also, of a faithful shepherd taking good heed to all his flock:—

Therefore, Resolved, By the members of the South Georgia Conference, that we will now, and especially hereafter, adhere to the principle that the passage of character in this Conference, shall depend as absolutely upon an effective pastoral and administrative character in the preacher, as upon his preaching ability

Resolved Secondly, That in adopting the foregoing resolution we do not intend to enact any new term of membership; but only to abide by and enforce the law of the Discipline, as it now stands or as it hereafter may stand by the action of our General Conference in regard to the specific duties with which preachers in charge of a church or of churches, may be charged.

Resolved Thirdly, That we, as trustees for the churches, by virtue of our power to supply them with a competent pastoral ministry under the provisions of our Discipline, cannot discharge our duty in the premises until we put into the hands of the Bishops men who have, by their diligence in duty, proved to us, that they can and will attend to all the work we employ them to do for us as the guardians of our people's religious interests. Adopted.

THE LORD'S SUPPER.

Resolved, That as preachers of the South Georgia Conference, we esteem it our duty to administer, or have administered, the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, monthly on our Stations, and quarterly in each church on our Circuits and Missions.

OBSERVANCE OF THE SABBATH DAY.

Resolved, That a Scriptural observance of the Sabbath day is essential to the religious improvement of the Church. Therefore, as ministers, we pledge ourselves to more frequently and pointedly enforce upon the membership that important duty.

BAPTISM OF CHILDREN.

Resolved, That all our preachers be earnestly requested and recommended to urge upon our people the duty and importance of having their children baptized: and to offer them an opportunity of having this sacrament administered publicly in each congregation at least once every quarter, and to have the names of the baptized children entered upon the Church records.

TREATISE ON ROMANISM.

Resolved, That we have heard with pleasure that our worthy brother, Rev. C. P. Jones, has published a treatise on Romanism, and in view of the importance of the subject discussed, and in evidence of our appreciation of its author, the Conference hereby recommends the circulation of the book among our people.

THE WASHINGTON STREET CHURCH.

Resolved, That the South Georgia Conference has received with proper sympathy and favor the communication of Rev. W. Martin, of the South Carolina Conference, in regard to the necessities of the Washington Street Church, Columbia, S. C., and we hereby tender to him our readiness to aid him in our bounds to the extent of giving him access to our pulpits and charges when it may be his pleasure to visit us.

THE HOME MONTHLY.

Resolved, That we cordially recommend the Home Monthly published at our Publishing House, Nashville, Tennessee, and

edited by Professor A. B. Starke, as a periodical worthy of the patronage of our preachers and people, and especially as it is designed to fill, for the present, in our Church literature and families, the place formerly occupied by the "Home Circle."

ACADEMY FOR THE BLIND.

WHEREAS, The Legislature of the State has instituted (some years since) in the City of Macon an Academy for the Blind, and whereas we have the most implicit confidence in the ability of Prof. Williams, who is at the head of that Institution, and regarding as we do the importance of the education of this unfortunate class of our people: Therefore

Resolved, That we, the members of the South Georgia Conference, do pledge ourselves to look up as far as possible the blind children in our bounds, and use our efforts to get them to this most worthy Institution.

BOARD OF FUND OF SPECIAL RELIEF.

L. Pierce, S. Anthony, J. E. Evans, J. B. McGehee, Geo. G. N. MacDonell, J. W. Mills, Chas. R. Jewett

The object of this Fund is to give relief to widows and orphans of preachers, travelling or local, or to the preachers themselves, who are in specially destitute circumstances from sickness or other calamity. Donations solicited.

PREACHERS' AID SOCIETY.

R. B. Lester, President; J. O. A. Cook, Treasurer; T. T. Christian, Secretary; J. W. Hinton, J. S. Key, A. M. Wynn. Wm. M. Kennedy.

This Society manages all invested funds, the proceeds of which are distributed to the superannuated preachers, and widows and orphans of preachers. Donations are solicited.

STATISTICAL TABLES

OF

Members, Sunday Schools, Real Estate, Moneys Raised, Etc.,

IN THE

SOUTH GEORGIA CONFERENCE,

FOR THE YEAR 1868.

STATISTICAL TABLE

NUMBERS.

NAMES OF CIRCUITS AND STATIONS	MEMBERS.		LOCAL PREACHERS		INFANTS BAPTIZED.		ADULTS BAPTIZED.		SUNDAY SCHOOLS.		OFFICERS AND TEACHERS.		SUNDAY SCHOOL PUPILS.		SUNDAY SCHOOL QUESTIONS.		VOLUMES IN LIBRARY.		CHURCH PERI- ODICALS.....	
	White..	Col'd...	White..	Col'd....	White..	Col'd....	White..	Col'd....	White..	Col'd....	White..	Col'd....	White..	Col'd....	White..	Col'd....	White..	Col'd....	White..	Col'd....
SAVANNAH DISTRICT.																				
Savannah, Trinity.....	443		22		25		12		1		42		310		975		1286		91	
Savannah, City Mission.....	140		3		13		19		1		19		79		200		276		50	
Springfield.....	530	30	3		14		18		7		40		270		100		500		26	
Savannah.....	398	30	3				5	1							100		260		1	
Pacific.....	88	2	1		4		3		1		7		75	4	30		70		3	
Waynesboro.....	299		1		5		3		2		7		50		120		400		19	
Alexander.....	377		3		14		64		5		20		130		250		200		22	
Louisville.....	438	10	3	1	10		30		6		50		254		403		400		26	
Gibson.....	289	8	5		6		15	8			9		60		15		350		8	
Sandusville.....	138		3				1		1		6		56		300		50		18	
Sandusville Circuit.....	234	6	3		24		7		3		18		129		100		50			
Washington Circuit.....	246		3																	
Swainsboro.....	180	10	4		7		1		6		15		90		100		20		9	
Total.....	3300	96	34	1	122		173	9	36		236		1446	4	2685		4926		276	
MACON DISTRICT.																				
Macon, Mulberry Street.....	417		1		17		22		1		88		240		674		553		90	
" City Mission.....	73		1		3		14		3		20		131		130		600		67	
" First Street.....	282		2		5		16		1		20		163		348		103		23	
Jeffersonville.....	283	107	2	1	7	10	6	6	6		35		256		200		400		37	
Tewiston.....	246	45	1		4	7	10	8	5		30		20		500		200		28	
Gordon.....	50	29	1		4	8	4	4	3		13		100		100		30		9	
Ocmulgee.....																				
Hawkinsville Mission.....	90		1	1	3		12	11	2		15		75		30		75		8	
Fort Valley.....	85		8		6		30		11		60		473		900		900		200	
Perry.....	133		3				1		1		17		68		152		130			
Hayneville.....	361		2		5		40		6		51		250		400		100		43	

Vienna.....	415	100	4	2	17	4	30	15	6	53	217	2657	3903	526	20
Macon Circuit.....	106	75		1	7	1	24	31	3	10	67	96	125	6	
Knoxville Mission.....	269	17					9		3	17	105	207	300	6	
Pulaski and Wilcox Mission.....	60	2			5		15		2	10	50		25	2	
Total.....	3580	375	26	5	83	30	232	75	53	428	2444	2657	3903	539	
COLUMBUS DISTRICT.															
Columbus, St. Luke.....	505		2		18		4		1	33	210	570	300	126	
" St. Paul.....	185		1		9				1	18	90	250	400		
Girard and Wesley Chapel.....	178	60		1			38	2	2	32	150	375	390	5	
Muscooke.....	256	100	2		5		24	44	3	9	70				
Pleasant Grove.....	250		3		4		20		5	20	150	75	200	15	
Uptotol Mission.....	87						7		1	8	53	156	75	2	
Butler.....	224		3		3		13		9	78	400	200	100	17	
Talbotton.....	162		2		4				1	22	124	200	100	25	
Lanier Circuit.....	111	43	3		8	3	2	8	1	6	30	60	88	10	
Talbot.....	364	135	3		12		18	44	4	22	145	300	100	73	
Hamilton.....	324	100	6	1	1		63	12	4	32	243	427	193	25	
Lumpkin and Pleasant Valley.....	145		2		5				1	9	104	140	325	100	
Stewart.....	360		4				23		4	1			41	41	
Buena Vista.....	417		6		8		23		6	26	181	400	55	17	
Cusseta.....	188				3		43		3	18	80		17	17	
Total.....	3756	438	37	2	80	3	255	110	46	333	2030	3153	2263	511	
AMERICUS DISTRICT.															
Americus.....	332		1		3				2	35	237	400	625	50	
Bethel.....	320								4						
Magnolia Springs.....	340		2		7		6		6	35	250	200	300	4	
Oglethorpe and Montezuma.....	127		1		7				2	13	65	100	75	8	
Swift Creek Mission.....	120	2			1		5		3	23	42	12	30	3	
Worth and Irwin Mission.....	105	15			1				1	6	40	75	200	4	
Starkville Mission.....	120		1		4		14		3	15	62	235	475	30	
Cuthbert and Georgetown.....	190		5		8		6		2	35	210	200	200	9	
Randolph.....	415	147	3		13	5	5	24	8	24	235	140	293	31	
Florence.....	203		1		9		16		5	21	200	800	400	100	
Dawson.....	750	100	5	1	42		84		8	150	500	500	125	35	
Weston.....	317	68	1	1	6	4	18		4	37	211	80	150	74	
Ellaville.....	224	36	4		4		8		3	16	150	150	100	58	
Albany.....	114		2		11		1		1	8	78				
Total.....	3677	308	34	2	108	9	163	24	52	421	2231	2552	2973	406	

STATISTICAL TABLE—(CONTINUED.)

NUMBERS.

NAMES OF CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	MEMBERS.		LOCAL PREACHERS.		INFANTS BAPTIZED.		ADULTS BAPTIZED.		SUNDAY SCHOOLS.		OFFICERS AND TEACHERS.		SUNDAY P- SCHOOL RE- QUISITES.		VOLUMES IN LIBRARY.		CHURCH PERI- ODICALS.....
	White..	Col'd ...	White..	Col'd ...	White..	Col'd ...	White..	Col'd ...	White..	Col'd ...	White..	Col'd ...	White..	Col'd ...	White..	Col'd ...	
BAINBRIDGE DISTRICT.																	
Bainbridge.....	125		1		5	7	8		1		15		357		300		23
Decatur.....	193		2		13		3		6		30						11
Spring Hill.....	160		8		5		12		3		10						9
Thomasville.....	179		2				17		1		14		350		150		
Cannula.....	181		2		5				4		33		290		75		
Ocklocknee Mission.....	152		3		8		18										
Morgan.....	200	100	5				46	30	5		40		90		495		18
Colquitt.....	33	54						30	3		21		90		1030		13
Trinity and Blakely.....	143	85	1	2	2		27		1		13		200		206		11
Fort Gaines.....	62				9				3		19		320				
Grooversville.....	230	3	2		15		12										
Total.....	1673	242	16	7	53	7	143	36	27		195		1537		2270		93
BRUNSWICK DISTRICT.																	
Brunswick and St. Mary's.....	144		4		36	1	11	1	2		25		270		250		38
Centre Village.....	112		1														6
Waynesville.....	170	100	3		15	4	6	34	2		4						10
Wareboro.....	379	160	5	2					6		18		280		100		16
Doctortown Mission.....	149	42			11	15	18	25	4		12		80				2
Holmesville.....	327	26	2		30		52		7		14						4
Ocmulgee.....	200	80	1		7		15	7									
Irwinn.....	53	9	1		12		25		2		12		106		19		8
Stockton.....	203	35	4		11		12		2		8				50		
Nashville.....																	
Valdosta.....	258		2		15		10		1		16				250		22

Quitman.....	165	1	14	9	3	28	125	100	400	4
Morven.....	225	3	15	20	3	5	20	40	100	4
Moultrie.....	163	4	2	7	1	5	30	50	100	3
Total.....	2548	31	174	185	33	147	772	936	1169	113
ALTAHAMA DISTRICT.										
Hinesville.....	326	9	4	1	4	31	121	55	289	12
Darien and McIntosh.....	55	4	2	4	1	6	25	39	300	1
Bryan Mission.....	70	8	4	4	2	12	50			
Statesboro' Circuit.....	135	1	25	4	2					
Statesboro' Mission.....										
Dublin.....	378	5	6	18						10
West Vienna.....	275	2	36	6						5
Jacksonville.....	580	3	16	18	2	6	35			4
Reidsville.....	597	3	12	22						
Total.....	2126	23	101	77	9	55	231	85	569	32

RECAPITULATION:

Savannah District.....	3500	34	122	175	36	236	1446	2693	4026	276
Macon District.....	3580	26	83	232	53	428	2444	2657	3903	539
Columbus District.....	3756	37	80	255	46	333	2030	3153	2263	511
Americus District.....	3677	34	108	163	52	421	2291	2552	2973	406
Bainbridge District.....	1673	16	53	143	27	195	1149	1587	2270	93
Brunswick District.....	2548	31	174	185	33	147	772	936	1169	113
Altaamaha District.....	2126	23	101	77	9	55	231	85	569	32
Totals for the year 1868.....	20860	201	721	1230	256	1815	10363	13663	17173	1970
Totals for the year 1867.....	19626	216	583	1334	206	1533	9003	12099	14337	2114
Increase.....	1234		138	464	50	282	1360	1564	2836	
Decrease.....	4455	15	377	104	12	63	812	460	460	144

STATISTICAL TABLE

STATIONS, CIRCUITS, &c.	CHURCHES.				PARSON- AGES.		OTHER PROPERTY.		MONEYS RAISED DURING THE CONFERENCE YEAR.										
	Number	Value	Sittings	Number	Value	Specification	Value	For Building, Repairing and Furnishing ...	For the Pas- tor and his Assistants..	For the Pre- siding Elder..	For the Bish- ops.....	For the Con- ference Col- lection.....	For Domestic Missions....	For Foreign Missions....	For the Poor.	For Sunday Schools in the Charge...	For the Con- ference S. S. Society	In aid of oth- er Church en- terprises	
SAVANNAH DISTRICT.																			
Savannah, Trinity.....	3	6000 00	1500	2	15000 00	City Lot...	1500 00	2195 50	2825 00	450 00	50 00	387 25	300 00	97 25	687 00	370 00	25 00	245 00	
Savannah, City Mission.....	1	3000 00	800			C'mp Gr'd	500 00	500 00	525 00	125 00	25 00	42 00	50 00	10 75	75 00	33 00			
Springfield.....	7	4000 00	1600						350 00	85 00	15 00	30 00	20 00						
Sylvania.....	8	5250 00	700	1	1000 00			75 00	400 00	85 00	15 00	20 00	5 00						30 00
Waynesboro.....	4	8000 00	1500					250 00	800 00	225 00	20 00	90 00	39 00	21 00	25 00				7 00
Alexander.....	4	6000 00	1500	1		Land.....	1000 00	1700 00	471 74	138 80	25 00	70 70	100 00	62 35	46 25	20 00	60 00	38 80	
Louisville.....	8	9700 00	1850						562 72	148 50	15 00	12 50	83 00	62 35	46 25	20 00	25 00	15 20	
Gibson.....	6	1500 00	1100						135 75	67 00	17 50			1 75					
Sandersville.....	3	3000 00	1000						625 00	107 00		33 00	32 00						
Sandersville Circuit.....	4	4500 00	1200	1	3000 00				325 00	17 50									
Washington Circuit.....	4	1500 00	800		3000 00			150 00	172 30	44 20	2 75	10 25	40 25	10 00					
Swainsboro.....	8	1060 00	950																
Total.....	67	108010 00	15800		518700 00		3000 00	4800 50	7443 26	1645 00	200 25	735 20	863 20	190 00	905 00	548 00	79 00	282 00	
MACON DISTRICT.																			
Macon, Mulberry Street.....	2	27500 00	1000	1	2500 00	W. F. Col.	100000 00	2037 00	2731 65	550 00	75 00	500 00	250 00	100 00	565 90	170 00	50 00		
" City Mission.....																			
" First Street.....	1	13000 00	500	1	2000 00	Land.....	100 00	1905 37	601 05	92 50	20 00	100 00	35 00	9 25	150 50	73 65			
Jeffersonville.....	1	7750 00	1778	1	700 00	Land.....	100 00	60 00	700 00	100 00	12 00	114 50	57 00	9 00		30 00		20 00	
Lawton.....	6	3425 00	1200					50 00	195 00	79 05	20 00	40 00	19 50			31 00	32 00		
Jordan.....	1	225 00	180						113 35	50 00	3 75	28 50	14 00		50	20 00			
Pennington.....																			
Fairbanksville Mission.....	2	7000 00	3200					330 00		30 00	3 00					15 00	50 00		
Fort Valley.....	1	5000 00	500	1	1000 00			135 00	1116 50	278 50	35 00					40 00	100 00	122 55	25 00
Marysville.....	1	7000 00	2800					1340 00	1000 00	275 00	20 00	115 70	100 00	3 15		100 00	54 00		
Layneville.....	1	7000 00	2800	1	800 00											100 00	22 00		

Vienna.....	2	2400 00	430	.....	.....	582 90	72 00	20 00	50 00	18 50	11 40	.....	27 00	26 30
Macon Circuit.....	6	2000 00	1350	.....	.....	263 50	50 00	10 00	75 00	34 00	1 00	4 00	10 00	.....
Knoxville Mission.....	2	500 00	500	.....	.....	60 00	25 00	.....	.....	3 55	.....	30 00	.....	.....
Pulaski and Wilcox Mission.....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	200 00	14 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	.....
Total.....	48	76400 00	13858	.....	100200 00	7317 37	.....	236 55	1390 70	729 20	189 20	790 40	581 65	356 85
COLUMBUS DISTRICT.														
Columbus, St. Luke.....	3	23500 00	1600	.....	.....	720 00	347 50	110 00	1190 00	172 00	90 00	450 00	275 00	32 95
.., St. Paul.....	1	18000 00	550	.....	.....	400 00	375 00	35 00	345 00	172 00	.....	440 00	95 00	31 50
Girard and Wesley Chapel.....	2	1600 00	700	.....	.....	156 00	84 75	.....	.....	84 75	.....	5 00	47 25	951 00
Muscogee.....	6	2850 00	1920	.....	.....	.....	112 50	15 00	46 00	20 00	45 00	.....	.....	.....
Pleasant Grove.....	4	800 00	700	.....	.....	.....	34 00	4 00	10 00	5 00	1 20	.....	7 00	.....
Upatoi Mission.....	3	200 00	650	.....	.....	25 00	6 50	2 00	1 50	1 50	2 00	.....	.....	.....
Butler.....	6	1600 00	1600	.....	.....	130 00	434 81	15 00	25 00	15 00	5 00	.....	.....	.....
Talbotton.....	2	6000 00	1000	.....	.....	82 00	950 00	28 00	93 25	50 00	44 40	.....	.....	10 00
Lanier Circuit.....	4	1500 00	1200	.....	.....	.....	50 00	7 00	2 00	10 00	7 75	.....	.....	.....
Talbot.....	8	5850 00	1680	.....	.....	1200 00	150 00	60 00	29 00	12 50	30 00	.....	65 00	9 45
Hamilton.....	5	4300 00	1950	.....	.....	255 00	613 15	10 00	68 85	40 00	.....	5 50	103 00	59 30
Lumpkin and Pleasant Valley.....	2	3500 00	500	.....	.....	77 76	600 00	10 00	5 00	.....	26 00	.....	79 50	4 00
Stewart.....	8	6800 00	2000	.....	.....	40 25	862 25	15 00	27 00	36 05	30 00	.....	15 25	23 30
Buena Vista.....	7	2000 00	650	.....	Land.....	150 00	740 00	10 00	87 00	45 00	28 50	.....	18 00	.....
Cusseta.....	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total.....	65	78500 00	16700	.....	500 00	3236 01	.....	321 00	1930 50	663 80	303 45	900 50	826 30	193 55
AMERICUS DISTRICT.														
Americus.....	2	10000 00	800	.....	.....	.....	304 00	25 00	260 00	139 00	80 00	150 00	5 00	25 00
Bethel.....	7	2100 00	1200	.....	.....	.....	105 00	15 00	43 75	35 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Magnolia Springs.....	6	5000 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	150 00	20 00	100 00	53 00	.....	.....	25 00	150 00
Jeffethorpe and Montezuma.....	2	2800 00	700	.....	.....	53 00	516 25	15 00	58 20	53 00	11 50	10 00	4 00	50 00
Swift Creek Mission.....	5	1000 00	600	.....	Land.....	.....	27 55	.....	4 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Worth and Irwin Mission.....	5	400 00	500	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Starkville Mission.....	4	.....	300	.....	.....	.....	75 00	5 00	3 00	9 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Northbert and Georgetown.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	City Lot.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Randolph.....	9	1900 00	1200	.....	.....	1800 00	869 00	23 10	32 00	.....	20 00	.....	.....	.....
Florence.....	4	1500 00	1000	.....	.....	97 00	825 00	20 00	10 35	12 00	13 00	.....	.....	.....
Dawson.....	7	5000 00	2000	.....	.....	.....	234 62	12 00	78 00	14 20	12 00	.....	20 00	.....
Weston.....	4	5400 00	1100	.....	.....	1000 00	1100 00	25 00	170 00	70 00	26 25	50 00	100 00	185 00
Ellhaville.....	5	4500 00	1500	.....	.....	.....	700 00	15 00	63 10	35 00	15 00	.....	86 00	.....
Albany.....	1	2500 00	400	.....	.....	1300 00	320 00	20 00	50 00	50 00	3 00	.....	25 00	35 00
Total.....	61	42100 00	11300	.....	1750 00	4850 00	8673 22	215 10	902 40	532 95	190 75	224 25	301 00	245 00

ALTAMAHA DISTRICT.													
Hinesville.....	3	1500 00	960	.....	.....	.....	328 66	32 60	4 00	12 95	78 39	5 55	.....
Darien and McIntosh.....	2	330 00	500	.....	.....	.....	432 53	18 00	.....	7 35	10 50	6 50	20 00
Bryan Mission.....	3	800 00	600	.....	.....	.....	80 00	8 00	11 05	.....	22 35	.....	10 00
Statesboro' Circuit.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Statesboro' Mission.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Dublin.....	9	2000 00	2000	.....	.....	.....	164 50	19 50	.....	.....	353 25	2 00	.....
Mt. Vernon.....	8	750 00	875	1	100 00	.....	128 00	30 00	.....	.....	15 70	.....	.....
Jacksonville.....	10	1600 00	1200	.....	.....	.....	163 00	24 00	4 00	7 35	58 90	.....	.....
Reidsville.....	10	4000 00	3500	.....	.....	.....	338 00	40 00	6 00	34 00	60 70	10 00	.....
Total.....	45	11000 00	9273	1	100 00	.....	194 50	1550 19	172 10	25 05	599 79	24 05	30 09

RECAPITULATION:																	
Savannah District.....	67	108010 00	15800	5	18700 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Macon District.....	48	76400 00	13878	5	7000 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Columbus District.....	65	78500 00	16700	4	6000 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Americus District.....	61	42100 00	11300	3	6000 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bainbridge District.....	30	16120 00	6355	3	2805 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Brunswick District.....	77	21400 00	12165	5	1400 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Altamaha District.....	45	11000 00	9275	1	100 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Totals for the year 1868.....	393	333530 00	86073	26	42095 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Totals for the year 1867.....	376	336485 00	84950	25	36250 00
Increase.....	17	17045 00	1123	1	5845 00
Decrease.....

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